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1. The amendment to the claims filed on 10/20/03 does not comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 because the revised amendment practice now requires the use of seven claim status identifiers including: (original), (currently amended), (canceled), (withdrawn), (new), etc. Amendments to the claims filed after July 30, 2003 must comply with 37 CFR 1.121. (See Attachment).

Since the reply filed on 10/20/03 appears to be *bona fide*, Applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of **ONE (1) MONTH** or **THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to submit an amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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